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1. Ernesto de la Fe, Chief of the Revolutionary group ATOM, revealed that an alleged plot is being planned by General Genevevo Perez Damera, Chief of the Cuban Army Staff, and President Ramon Grau San Martin, to prevent the inauguration of President-elect Carlos Prío Socarras on the pretext of a state of unrest in Cuba.
2. According to source, newspaper columns and stories devoted to explaining the difficulties that Grau has been creating for Prío exaggerate the conflict and reportedly are being prepared by friends of Prío so that early difficulties in Prío's first months in office can be blamed on Grau's current alleged attitude. According to sources close to Prío, the inauguration will take place as planned. The effectiveness of a coup d'etat by Perez Damera would be minimized because the people are no longer sympathetic to Grau nor would they condone Army rule without protest.
3. Reportedly, the Partido Socialista Popular (PSP) is using the recent student protests against a fare increase to instigate an outbreak of a general nature in Cuba. Part of the Cuban Army allegedly sympathizes with the Communists. Source states that Perez Damera reputedly intends to establish a military dictatorship in all provinces with the pretext that the workers are in agreement with the PSP members who are causing unrest.
4. It was reported that the Union Insurreccion Revolucionaria (UIR) planned to observe the anniversary of the Marianao incident of 15 September 1947, which consisted of an Intra-Cuban National Police gun battle, by meetings at the Colon Cemetery and in the Teatro Principal de la Comedia, and by the killing of eight persons in revenge. The principal targets were to be members of the police allied with the attempt to arrest Emilio Tro on 13 September 1947. These incidents reportedly would contribute to the unrest in Cuba as source claims that part of UIR financial support is provided by Perez Damera, a condition which existed in 1947 as well as at the present time.

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